## --CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATION

This application is a continuation of U.S. Application Serial No. 09/040,898 filed March 18, 1998 by Dennis Cox and Kip McClanahan and entitled "Method for Blocking Denial of Service and Address Spoofing Attacks on a Private Network".--

## REMARKS

Early and favorable acceptance of this application is respectfully requested. Respectfully submitted this \_/6\_ day of April, 2004.

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